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In a world of powerful celestial beings, an epic contest is being held to select the most king! Each Celestial selects a kid in junior high to be his champion and grants him a special power. The kids battle it out—losers are eliminated, and winners are granted new talents!

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Chapter 1

Is Kosuke Ueki an Alien
from Outer Space?



















I SEE!



HMM...?

MAY'D HE CRUSH THE CAN FIRST?



HMM...



I'VE GOT IT!

THE TRASH HAS TO FIT IN THE PALM OF HIS HAND



ONLY THEN CAN HE UNDERSTAND IT WAS A TRICK



WHO CARES WHAT HE REALLY IS...

LEKI IS GOOD BEING LEKI.



I GUESS MR. K IS RIGHT...



HMM...



YOU HEARD BEFORE IT WAS LATE TOO YOU HEARD?

OHAYO, I'M LEAVING!



HMM...



...?









I CAN
REACH
YOU!

!!!

KIP





Swsh...

LEKI ALWAYS IS

YOU KNOW HOW LAID BACK...

I'M THE ONE WHO GAVE LEKI HIS POWER.

HUH?

SO I GAVE HIM A SUPER-NATURAL POWER.

I GREW TO LIKE HIM BECAUSE OF THAT.

THE POWER OF TRANSFORMING WHAT HE VIEWS AS "TRASH" INTO "TREASURES"

BUT HE CAN ONLY TRANSFORM THINGS HE CAN HOLD IN HIS HANDS.

FSSHAAA



HURTING OTHERS WITH YOUR POWER IS AGAINST THE RULES.

!?

WHO'S THAT?!

ISN'T IT, LEKI?





...ONE
OF HIS
TALENTS WILL
DISAPPEAR!

EVERY
TIME HE
USES THAT
POWER TO
HURT OTHERS...

THIS
IS MY
PUNISHMENT.

I GUESS...

DADOOM

**DING
DONG!**

I DID
HURT SOME-
ONE

...SO
I
TALK
GNT.

AS
LONG
AS I
MYSELF
DON'T
HURT
ANYONE...

WHY
WAS THE
PUNISHMENT
INCOMPLETE?

WELL, I
FOUNDED
OF BEING
UNDER MY
OWN
SHOULD HAVE
DOWNFALLS
AHEAD...

WAA...

WHAT
ARE YOU
THINKING?
THERE'S
LESS THAN A
MONTH LEFT
TO THE
CLOSING
DATE!!

NOT
YET.

SO
YOU HAVE
DECIDED
WHICH HUMAN
WILL BE
YOUR
ENTRY, YES?

WAAKKO!

IT'S
DUNNAR!

**CRASH
CRASH**

LIAR,
LIAR!

I AM
NOT.

YOU'RE
DE-
PRESSED?

NOT
REALLY!

TOO
BAD,
LENN!

Wah
hah
hah
hah

PFF

HOW
COME
HUMAN
STILL
LIVES
HNT?

I SEE!



WIK!
KOU!

YOU'RE LYING! YOU'RE GOING TO HANG UP ON ME BECAUSE YOU DON'T WANT TO LISTEN TO ME!

HELLO? CAN'T HEAR YOU, YOU'RE BREAKING UP!

FIB
FIB

HEY! WAVE! YOU'RE BEING CUT OFF BY RANDY!

WHAT?



HE WILL BE THE NEXT CHAMPION!

LINK!

HE'S A GENIUS, NO DOUBT ABOUT IT.

IN THAT CASE LET ME JUST SAY THIS, THE STUDENT I'VE CHOSEN...



SHUT UP!

LOSS

Rare
We
do...

THE TALENT OF BLA...

THE ONE THAT NO ONE HAS ACQUIRED SO FAR...

AND THEN HE WILL ACQUIRE THE ULTIMATE TALENT!!



YOU ARE ONE OF THE 100 CANDIDATES FOR "KING OF THE CELESTIAL WORLD!"

YOU HAVE TO REMEMBER...

SO ARE YOU.



WE JUST TAKE PART IN THE "BATTLE OF SUPERNATURAL POWERS."

WE, THE 100 CANDIDATES, NEED TO COMPETE.

LOOK! THE TIME FOR A NEW KING IS UPON US.



EACH CANDIDATE CHOOSES A JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT AND GRANTS HIM A SUPERNATURAL POWER.

AND THE CANDIDATE WHOSE STUDENT WINS WILL BECOME THE NEXT KING!

THE STUDENTS' BATTLE...

WILL
YOUR
BELIEF IN
JUSTICE
PREVAIL.

OH
SLEEP!

...EVEN
TO THE
DEMISE OF
ALL YOUR
TALENTS?!!

THAT
IS THE
"TALENT
OF
BLANK."

THE
PERSON WHO
ACQUIRES THIS
TALENT CAN
FILL IN THE
BLANK WITH
WHATEVER
TALENT HE
WANTS.

TIME
↓

AFTER ALL,
THEY DON'T
UNDERSTAND
WHAT
JUSTICE
REALLY
IS!

I CAN'T
REALLY
STORAGE
HUMANS
THESE
DRIPS!

WHY DO
WE HAVE
TO GIVE
SOMETHING
SO PRECIOUS
TO THESE
HUMANS?

SLIP
!

SLIP
!

BUT...

YOU'RE
WORTH
LOOKING
INTO, THAT'S
FOR SURE.

I AM
NOT
CAPTAIN
ABOUT
YOU
BUT...

NOBODY
CAN...

NOBODY
CAN...

YOU ARE
A CANDIDATE
TO BE KING OF
THE CELESTIAL
WORLD??!

WHAT?

Faculty

Chapter 2 All Mori's Decision

YOU
ASKED WHO
I REALLY AM,
MORI SO
LISTEN UP!

PPFF
KING
IN THIS
ERA?

YOU
EXPECT ME
TO BELIEVE
YOU ARE A
CANDIDATE FOR
KING OF THE
CELESTIAL
WORLD?

NO
VOLENCE!
I AM A
PEACEMAN!



IN THIS WORLD THERE
ARE 100 KING CANDIDATES
(INCLUDING ME!) AND EACH
OF US SELECTS
ONE STUDENT
AND GIVES HIM ONE
SUPERNATURAL POWER.

WE ENTER THEM
IN THE BATTLE
OF SUPERNATURAL
POWERS AND THE KING
CANDIDATES WHOSE
STUDENT WINS BECOMES
THE NEXT KING OF THE
CELESTIAL WORLD.

...YOU
ARE NOT
WORTHY
OF THE
"TALENT OF
BLANK"!!

PWIP

IF YOUR
BELIEF IN
JUSTICE
WAVERS...

YOU
ONLY
HAVE TEN
LEFT!!!

AND AS
FOR YOUR
REMAINING
TALENTS...

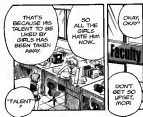
SCHNORR
SCHNORR

SHOW
THEM
WHAT
JUSTICE
REALLY
IS!!

UEKI,
WIN THE
BATTLE!
BE THE
CHAMPION!

ACK

What
the
hell
is he
doing?











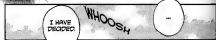
















PING

WE
CAN USE
HIM FOR
THE FINAL
TEST!

SAKURA
SUZUKI
OF CLASS B



THOSE
GUYS WERE
REALLY
PERSISTENT.

WHAT
THE
HECK
?!!

TADA



P
H
E
W

I FINALLY
LOST
THEM



FOUND
HIM!
THERE!!



GET ME
ANOTHER
ONE, YOU
IDOT!

DID YOU
JUST
CALL
ME AN
IDOT?



WAITER,
WHERE'S
THE
BACK DOOR?



TOP
THEY
FOUND
ME.



NO
HARM
DONE.

HMM?

NO
WAY!!!



WHAT?
SUZUKI'S
RUNNING
AWAY?
WHAT'S
GOING
ON?



ALL'S
WELL
THAT
ENDS
WELL.















THERE ARE 99 MOSQUITOES LEFT.



THUD



HA
HA HA
HA!

Chapter 4
The One Who Won't
Fight and the One Who
Won't Run Away

...THE
MONKEY
THAT STRUCK
MY LOVELY
FACE!

AND...

SO
MUCH FOR THE
GORILLA
THAT
SOILED MY
LOVELY
CAR WITH
DOG
POOP.

DADUM

GLARE

A RICH
DOCTOR
LIKE
ME IS
SUPERIOR
TO TRASH
LIKE YOU!

I'LL PUT
YOU OUT
OF YOUR
MISERY.

DON'T
YOU
GET IT? MONEY
RULES
THE
WORLD

FLAP

NO TRASH CAMPAIGN
DADOOM

YOU'RE
NOT
TO BE
HIDING
ME

?

BABUMP

I CAN'T
FIND ANY
TRASH.

HOW CAN
I USE MY
POWER?

BABUMP

BABUMP





IF IT
WASNT
FOR THAT
PROMISE...

I
WOULNT
BE IN
SUCH A
JAW!



CRAP!!!



WHY CAN'T
I BREAK
THAT STUPID
PROMISE?!!





THAT'S
FOR YOU
TO FIND
OUT.

WHO
SHOULD
I PROTECT?

PROTECT
OTHERS?

...!!

?

STOP
FIGHTING
AND ONE
DAY YOU
WILL FIND
THE ANSWER

ZOOOSH!!

IT'S
BEEN A
YEAR AND I
STILL HAVEN'T
FOUND THE
ANSWER!!

ONE
DAY...
YOU
WILL

THAT
OLD
FOOL!!

I CAN'T
BREAK MY
PROMISE
TO HIM
NOW!!

ZOOOSH!!

ON
TOP OF
THAT, HE
WENT
AND DIED
ON ME!

ZOOOSH!!

Tch.

SAKURA

YOU
WERE
BOASTING
ABOUT
GETTING
STRONG

LET'S
GO
NOW!!

Ahem!

KOFF
KOFF

YOU
WANT
TO BE
STRONG
SO YOU
CAN BRAG
ABOUT IT

WHAT?!

BUT
YOU WILL
NEVER
SUCCEED
THIS WAY!!

YOU
CAN ONLY
BECOME
TRULY
STRONG...

THAT
IS NOT
THE
WAY.

Bah!

MASTER
!!

SAKURA

...WHEN
YOU
WANT TO
PROTECT
OTHERS.









IF THEIR BELIEF IN JUSTICE IS NOT STRONG ENOUGH TO SACRIFICE THEIR OWN "TALENTS"...

...THEY WON'T BE ABLE TO REACH THE FINAL STAGE OF THE BATTLE!

I'M NOT SURE WHAT THE STUDENTS OF THE OTHER KING CANDIDATES ARE LIKE, BUT...



...OTHERWISE THERE'S NO POINT IN JOINING THE BATTLE!

THEY MUST ASIDE BY THEIR BELIEF IN JUSTICE...

Chapter 5: Reason to Get Strong

...ONLY NINE LEFT.

KOSUNE USES HIS TALENTS...

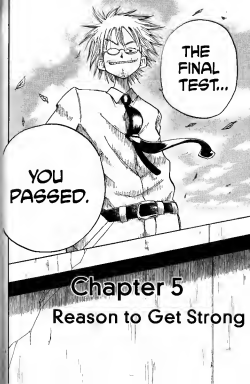


I WANTED TO HELP HIM KEEP HIS TALENTS.

I WANTED TO...



WHY THE HECK AM I HELPING HIM USE HIS POWER?!!









YOU
STEPPING
OUT?



THAT
GOON OF
YOURS SURE
IS BIG.

WHOA
!



RELAX

YOU'RE
NOT MY
TARGET
TODAY!

OH,
IT'S THE
SCAREY-
CAT WHO
CAN'T
FIGHT.



THAT
LITTLE
BRAT!

I'VE
NEVER
BEEN SO
HUMILIATED
IN MY
LIFE!!

BLAST
!!



MR.
KUROINA,
YOUR
ESCORT IS
READY.



IT'LL
BE
KILLING
TIME!

SOON...

ARIA HAI
HOLD ON,
HOLD ON





YOU
CAN ONLY
BECOME
TRULY
STRONG...

... WHEN
YOU
WANT TO
PROTECT
OTHERS!



KUH **WANG** **!!?**



I'M
TALKING,
YOU
IDIOT!!!







Chapter 6 The Battle Begins











YOU
SELECTED
KOSUKE
USER...

BUT THE
BATTLE HASN'T
EVEN STARTED
YET AND HE'S
ALREADY
LOST TWO
OF HIS
TALENTS.

IS
THIS
SOME
SORT
OF
MISTAKE?



HE
WILL
LOSE
ONE
OF
HIS
TALENTS.
DO
NOT
FORGET
THIS.

HE
WILL
DO
THAT.

IF A
CONTESTANT
USES HIS
POWER
TO HURT A
NON-CONTESTANT
OR A CON-
TESTANT WHO
HAS ALREADY
LOST HIS
POWER.



MR.
KOSUKE...

Ap
W

NOW
THEN.



I ONLY
JOINED THIS
BATTLE TO FIND
OUT WHETHER
USER'S SENSE OF
JUSTICE IS STRONG
ENOUGH FOR
HIM TO
SACRIFICE
ALL OF HIS
TALENTS.

IT'S NO
MISTAKE.

BESIDES...



WHAT
IS WRONG
WITH THIS
GUY?

THAT
IS ALL
THE
GOOD
LUCK TO
BERRY-
BODY.

honk



WHO
CARE? I
M NOT
INTERESTED
IN
DISCUSSING
THIS.

NOT AT
ALL.



IF HE
LOSES HIS
TALENTS
BEFORE THE
BATTLE EVEN
BEGINS, HOW
IS HE GOING
TO MAKE
IT TO THE
END?

WHY?
WHENEVER
YOU LISTENED?
HE SAID
THAT THE
KEY TO
WINNING
THIS BATTLE
IS THE
STUDENT'S
"TALENTS".



IN
ORDER
TO
CONTINUE,
YOUR
STUDENT
MUST WIN
EVERY
BATTLE.

IT'S
REALLY
VERY
SIMPLE.



THE
LOSER
IS OUT
OF THE
GAME
AND
LOSES HIS
POWER.

THE
WINNER
WILL
BE THE
ONE WHO
KNOCKS
OUT HIS
OPPONENT.



OR THEY
CAN FIGHT
WITH
THEIR
BARE
HANDS.

THEY
CAN FIGHT
WITH THE
"SUPERNATURAL
POWER" YOU
GAVE THEM.

ANY-
THING
GOES.



I'M
SURE YOU
ALL CHOSE
STUDENTS
WHO
HAVE MANY
SUPERIOR
TALENTS.

I DON'T
THINK I
NEED TO
SAY
THIS,
BUT...

THE
KEY TO
WINNING
THIS BATTLE
IS YOUR
CHAMPION'S
TALENTS.



WHEN AND
WHERE THE
FIGHT TAKES
PLACE IS UP
TO YOU.

THOSE
ARE
THE
ONLY
RULES.

















BUT I
THOUGHT
IF THEY HURT
ANYONE WITH
THEIR POWERS,
THEY LOSE
THEIR
TALENTS!!

WHY
IS HE
ATTACK-
ING
P!

LITTLE
GIRL...

STOP
INTERFERING
OR I WILL
KILL YOU
TOO.

FWOOOSH

!!!

DASH

OKAY,
RUN
!!

YANK

LOOF

WHAT'S
WRONG
WITH
YOU?

H-HOLD
ON!

WHY
DO YOU
FIGHT
FOR
THEM
?

THIS
IS JUST
A STUPID
GAME THE
SO-CALLED
GANG
CANDIDATES
SET UP FOR
THEIR OWN
PURPOSES

BABUNE
BABUNE

MR. K WAS
TELLING
THE
TRUTH!!!

NO
ONE
THING IS
REALLY
HAPPENING

THRB

WHAT
A
NUISANCE

TAK TAK TAK









YOU
CAN'T USE
YOUR POWER
AGAINST A
NON-COMBATANT,
CAN YOU?







HE
KNOWS
HOW TO
MANIPULATE
HIS
POWER
?!!



THUMK

!!! Chapter.8
Breaking the Rules

ARRR!!



I CAN'T
WAIT TO
FIGHT
HIM.

HE'LL
BE
SUCH A
WORTHY
OPPONENT.



THIS
WAS A
DIFFICULT
BATTLE
FOR
ME.



BUT
HE'LL
BE
SUCH A
WORTHY
OPPONENT.



HE'LL
BE
SUCH A
WORTHY
OPPONENT.



I CAN'T
WAIT TO
FIGHT
A WORTHY
OPPONENT
LIKE
YOU!!

KOSUKE
LEWY

Chapter 8

Breaking the Rules

















Bonus Corner

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HEH HEH HEH

THANK
YOU FOR
BUYING THE
FIRST
VOLUME!!

NICE TO
MEET YOU,
EVERYBODY!
I AM TSUBASA
FUKUCHI.

I AM
SORRY
FOR NOT
REPLYING
TO YOUR
LETTERS!
BUT
SOMEDAY
I WILL!

OKAY, I
WILL DO
MY BEST
TODAY
TOO!

THANK YOU
EVERYBODY!!

IT'S
BECAUSE
OF YOUR
LETTERS I
CAN KEEP
UP THE
GOOD
WORK!!!

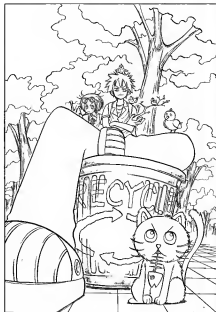
I READ
ALL FAN
LETTERS
AT LEAST
FIVE
TIMES.

I'LL
REFER
BACK TO MY
JOURNAL.

ON THIS
MEMORABLE
OCCASION
OF THE
PUBLICATION
OF THE FIRST
VOLUME,
I WILL EXPLAIN
HOW I STARTED
SERIALIZING
"THE LAW
OF UENI."









When I was a kid, I used to draw all sorts of characters. They could fly around, I would create allies for them, and they'd fight against the bad guys. It'd be great if I got to draw characters like that for this manga.



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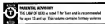
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